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**Sch. Grampus at Rockland.**

The United States Fish Commission sch. Grampus was recently at Rockland, Me. She had 2000 stripped seed lobsters which were to be liberated along the Eastern Maine coast. Later she will bring a similar cargo for the Sea Gull to distribute.

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**Had Good Fishing.**

The motor boat fishermen struck a school of cod and haddock off Portland a few days ago and brought in good catches of first-class fish.

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**DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.****Today's Arrivals and Receipts.**

Sch. Cecil H. Low, Georges, 9000 lbs. salt cod, 1800 lbs. halibut.  
Steamer Alliance, shore, 5500 lbs. pollock.  
Newburyport launch, Ipswich Cay, 25,000 lbs. fresh cod.  
Sloop Eva Avina, shore, 4000 lbs. fresh cod.  
Steamer Mystery, shore, 15,000 lbs. pollock.  
Sch. Little Fannie, shore, 15,000 lbs. pollock.  
Steamer Thurlow, 18,000 lbs. pollock.  
Sch. Mary Emerson, shore, 4000 lbs. pollock.  
Steamer Bessie Dugan, shore.  
Sch. Lizzie M., shore, 25,000 lbs. pollock.  
Steamer Bessie A., shore.  
Steamer Herbert and Emma, shore.  
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, shore.

**Today's Fish Market.**

Round pollock, 75 cts. per cwt.; gutted 80 cents.  
Bank halibut 7 cts. per lb. for white and 5 cts. per lb. for gray.  
Salt bank cod, large \$8.75, mediums, \$3.  
Salt Rips, cod, large, \$4, mediums, \$3; snapper, \$2.  
Salt Georges cod, large \$4.00, mediums, \$3.25.  
Salt pollock, \$1.50; salt haddock, \$1.50.  
Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large, \$2; mediums, \$1.50; Cape North cod, large, \$1.87 1-2; medium, \$1.37 1-2; Peak cod large, \$1.75; medium, \$1.37 1-2; cusk, \$1.60; haddock, \$1.00; hake, 80 cts.; pollock, 75 to 80 cts.

**Boston.**

Sch. Harvester, 2500 haddock, 5000 cod, 500 pollock.  
Sch. Hortense, 8000 haddock, 10,000 cod.  
Sch. William A. Morse, 9000 haddock, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, 2000 haddock, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Lochinvar, 6000 cod, 15,000 hake, 10,000 cusk.  
Sch. Maud F. Silva, 3000 haddock, 1500 cod.  
Sch. Pearl, 1500 haddock, 500 cod, 500 hake.  
Sch. Klondike, 2500 haddock, 700 cod, 600 hake.  
Sch. Teresa and Alice, 8000 haddock, 3500 cod.  
Sch. Mettacommet, 11,000 haddock, 3500 cod, 2500 hake.  
Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, 3000 haddock, 4000 cod, 6000 hake, 6000 cusk.  
Sch. Flavilla, 8000 haddock, 5000 cod, 2000 hake.  
Sch. Marion, 7000 cod.  
Haddock, \$4.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$3.50; market cod, \$2.50; hake, \$1 to \$2; cusk, \$1.70 to \$2.

**Fishing Fleet Movements.**

Sch. Gossip was at Canso, N. S., recently and shipped five boxes of fresh halibut to Boston.

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**TWO FINE FARES.****Netters Actor and Blanche F. Irving at New York Today.**

The number of mackerel on the south side of Cape Cod appears to be increasing, and the small netters that started after them a day or two ago are beginning to be heard from. Yesterday morning 10 barrels of large mackerel taken in these boats were brought to Boston.

Two netters at New York this morning have the largest netting fares of the season thus far. Sch. Actor, Capt. Frank Nolan, has 1000 large fresh mackerel and sch. Blanche F. Irving, Capt. George Turner, has 2000 large fresh mackerel.

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**GOING TO EUROPE.****Members of Commission Will Look Up Benzoate of Soda.****Fishing Gazette Publishes Important Interview on Subject.**

Dr. Taylor, the California member of the referee board of chemists (which is investigating the pure food situation with special reference to the use of preservatives), has been ordered to Europe to look up the record of benzoate of soda; but the agricultural department will in the meantime permit fish dealers to use this preservative.

It is declared that had not the use of some such chemical been allowed, practically no fish could be shipped anywhere in the United States during the summer, and thousands of persons would be thrown out of employment.

An authority on the use of food preservatives, in speaking with a New York Fishing Gazette representative, said that benzoate of soda is applied much the same as boric acid; that is, by mixing it with salt and sprinkling it over the fish.

"But," said he, "I have letters from a number of fishermen who declare that benzoic acid does not answer the purpose so well as boric acid. Gloucester people have been using the boric acid for twenty years. It is placed along the backbone of the cod, preventing a fungus growth, which salt alone will not do; and it is even stated that benzoic acid does not prevent it. The preservative is used only from about February 15 to November 15."

A prominent fish dealer of Gloucester writes to the Gazette: "We have found from experience that the boric acid keeps the fish in a much better condition than does the benzoate of soda preservative, and we have never heard of any injury to the consumer through the use of the former."

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**GREAT BRITAIN'S ATTITUDE.****Has Trouble Over "Headlands" Theory Right at Home.**

In speaking of Great Britain's attitude in the United States-Newfoundland troubles the New York Fishing Gazette says:

"The fact that Great Britain is fighting shy of further international disputes on fisheries is shown by the attitude of the government in the Morav Firth trawling matter. A by-law of the Scottish Fishery Board excludes trawlers from inside a line drawn from Duncansby Head to Rattray Point. A foreigner's defence recently was that the proper territorial limit being three miles, and the alleged offence having been committed five miles from land, it took place on the high seas, outside of British jurisdiction.

This would seem to be a strong defence; and the imperial government has cautiously held that 'for reasons of international comity we are not prepared to institute proceedings against foreign sealers engaged outside the limit of territorial waters recognized by the international convention.' Perhaps J. B. regards it in the light of abstract justice; and then, having such a high regard for precedent, he may be seeking a three-mile limit on certain foreign coasts, for the benefit of British and colonial fishermen."

**WRECKED AT BLOCK ISLAND.****Fishing Sch. Gazelle Went to Pieces on Rocks Tuesday.**

The fishing schooner Gazelle went to pieces on the southwest shore of Block Island Tuesday afternoon. Her crew of three men got off the schooner safely and rowed in a southeasterly gale several miles around into the new harbor. The vessel was valued at \$5000.

**Shark on Exhibition.**

At the door of one of the wholesale stores on Atlantic avenue yesterday afternoon a shark was on exhibition. The shark was seven feet long, and measured two feet through the body. It weighed, dressed, 175 pounds. The fish was taken in the herring traps at Nahant.

**Gone to Boothbay.**

Capt. Dennis O'Neill of Boston has gone to Boothbay, where he will remain for the summer, and care for the Boston and Gloucester vessels that put in there to take ice or bait from the Boothbay Ice and Bait Co.

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**THEY NEED CLOTHING.****Dr. Grenfell Reports Labrador Folks in Sore Distress.****Sch. Lorna Doone Coming to Boston Soon for Contributions.**

Word has come from the north from one of Dr. Grenfell's helpers at his far away Labrador mission that on April 6 the deepest snowstorm of the season was falling, a fierce gale blowing. The people had walked and driven over the fence for weeks. The supply of clothing in the storehouse was exhausted, and as many will soon be looking to the doctor for help, he has decided to send sch. Lorna Doone, formerly of this port, to take back all the freight (consisting of the various supplies) from Boston direct to St. Anthony, thus saving the usual delay from transferring to various steamers.

The schooner will return in season to meet Dr. Grenfell at Battie Harbor before he sets out on his long summer cruise on the perilous coast of 1200 miles, where he is the sole benefactor and "Good Samaritan," where there is neither a Red Cross society or the ever-ready Associated Charities, and where a doctor and helper comes but once a year.

If any friends would like to send any warm woolen clothing, either outer or under—either for men, women or children—Dr. Grenfell will be very grateful for it.

All clothing should be woolen and in good repair—as ice is on the coast in August even. The schooner Lorna Doone will arrive in Boston about May 23 at Commercial wharf, Capt. Roberts in charge, who will be glad to welcome any of Dr. Grenfell's friends and receive any such donations. All boxes should be labelled, "Schooner Lorna Doone, Commercial Wharf," and should not be sent before May 23. Perhaps some friends will like to go down and see her off and put some little gift into the lockers for some of Dr. Grenfell's unfortunates.

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**HAD HARD WEATHER.****Sch. Marjorie Turner of Portland Narrowly Escaped Being Swamped.**

After one of the hardest trips that any fishing vessel from Portland has encountered for years, sch. Marjorie Turner, Captain William A. Turner, of that port, arrived in port Tuesday from the Bay of Fundy and on the Cape Sable fishing grounds.

There were many days during the trip that the wind blew a hurricane, when the vessel was forced to go under bare poles and was in danger of being swamped by the heavy seas which swept over her decks and kept every man clinging to the rigging to keep from being swept overboard.

After several attempts to reach the fishing grounds they reached a point southeast of Cape Sable and fished for seven days. The fishing was good and 80,000 pounds of fish was brought in by the dories.

On May 1 the weather set in bad again and for several days the vessel was forced to go under bare poles and keep off shore. She was tossed about by the seas and her decks were under water the greater part of the time and it was expected every minute by those on board that the vessel would be swamped by the tremendous seas which swept over her. There was little sleep for those on board, parts of the rigging were broken and one or two of the dories were smashed but not a man was injured or swept overboard.

Finally on the sixth the weather cleared and the trawls were set again and again the fish were plentiful and 23,000 pounds were secured by the men in the dories. But late in the afternoon the weather set in bad again and it was with difficulty that all the men out in dories were picked up.

**Seining Flounders.**

One of the Boston Italian fishermen tried seining for flounders yesterday with good success. He took four of his dories with a man in each, and within a few hours netted 1000 pounds of flounders, which sold at T wharf at 2 1-2 cents a pound, giving the men \$25 to divide.

**Plenty of Bait at Port Hood.**

Capt. John Chisholm received a message yesterday from Alex. J. McDonald of Port Hood, N. S., stating that he had plenty of bait in the trap.



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**Scarcity of Bait Affects Catch.**

Dealers as well as fishermen at T wharf, Boston, are beginning to cry for more bait. A number of vessels are still hung up at Boston and in other places waiting for bait, and as a result the market is short of ground fish.

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**DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.****Today's Arrivals and Receipts.**

Sch. Claudia, Georges, 10,000 lbs. halibut, 20,000 lbs. salt cod, 6000 lbs. fish.  
Sch. Norman Fisher, Rips, 45,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Lawrence Murdock, Georges, 12,000 lbs. salt cod, 2000 lbs. halibut.  
Steamer Alliance, shore, 15,000 lbs. pollock.  
Steamer Mystery, shore, 6000 lbs. pollock.  
Steamer Elthier, shore, 1100 lbs. pollock.  
Sch. Little Fannie, shore, 18,000 lbs. pollock.  
Sch. Corsair, sought seining.

**Todays Fish Market.**

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Bank halibut 7 cts. per lb. for white and 5 cts. per lb. for gray.  
Salt bank cod, large \$3.75, mediums, \$3.  
Salt Rips, cod, large, \$4, mediums, \$3; snapper, \$2.  
Salt Georges cod, large \$4.00, mediums, \$3.25.  
Salt pollock, \$1.50; salt haddock, \$1.50.  
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**Boston.**

Sch. Juniata, 1000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 20,000 hake, 15,000 cusk.  
Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, 50,000 pollock.  
Sch. Galatea, 20,000 cod.  
Sch. Mertis, H. Perry, 6000 cod, 20,000 hake, 5000 cusk.  
Sch. Viking, 5000 haddock, 4000 cod, 8000 hake.  
Sch. Dixie, 6000 cod.  
Sch. Louise C. Cabral, 23,000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Emily Cooney, 4000 haddock, 3000 cod, 3000 hake.  
Steamer Spray, 16,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 1500 hake.  
Sch. Fish Hawk.  
Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 15,000 cod.  
Sch. Minnie, 500 haddock, 500 cod.  
Sch. Mary J. Ward, 1000 haddock, 3000 cod.  
Sch. Nettie, 2000 haddock.  
Sch. Helena, 500 haddock, 500 cod.  
Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 10,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 10,000 hake.  
Sch. Vanessa, 14,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 30,000 cusk, 200 halibut.  
Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 2000 cod, 25,000 hake, 15,000 cusk.  
Haddock, \$5 to \$6 per cwt.; large cod, \$3.50; market cod, \$3; hake, 75 cts. to \$1.50; cusk, \$1.60; pollock, \$1.

**Fishing Fleet Movements.**

Sch. John Hays Hammond baited at the Magdalene island, last Saturday.  
Sch. Ella G. King, which was at Portland a few days ago, had 7000 pounds of halibut and 15,000 pounds of salt cod.

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**DOGFISH TROUBLESOME.****Damaged Trawls, Forcing Shore Fishermen To Return to Port.**

More than a mile of trawl belonging to the fishing sloop Nettie was destroyed by dogfish and the vessel was obliged to return to Boston yesterday, to purchase new gear. The dogfish were encountered about three miles off Cape Cod in such numbers that the sea appeared to be literally swarming with them. The dogfish attacked cod and haddock, and the marketable fish were mangled till nothing remained but their heads. The dogfish must have numbered thousands, for their savage rush resulted in the trawl being severed as ground line with a knife.

News of the appearance of the dogfish was received by T wharf and local fishermen with much concern, because of the damage that invariably results to gear, besides the loss of fish.

**Home from South.**

Sch. Corsair arrived home this forenoon from south seining, being the first of the southern seining mackerel fleet to come home to fit for the Cape Shore.

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**TO FIT FOR CAPE SHORE.****Two Vessels Now Home and Three More on Way.****NETTERS ARE NOW HEARD FROM****Sch. Theodore Roosevelt Stocked \$3500 on Her Recent Fine Fare.**

Capt. Norman Ross of sch. Veda M. McKown, which arrived home this morning to fit for the Cape Shore, reports schs. Lucania, Lottie G. Merchant and Annie Greenlaw coming along and will probably be in during the day.

Sch. Theodore Roosevelt, Capt. John O'Brien, stocked \$3488.47 as the result of her recent fresh mackerel trip landed at New York a week ago Wednesday. The vessel counted out 22,000 fish.

The fares of the netters now landing at New York have been increasing in size daily, and yesterday and today most of the boats which came in have had nice fares. The netting fleet to date is not as large as usual, but it will be materially increased in the next two weeks.

It seems to be the general opinion that on account of the bad weather, the main body of mackerel are late out south, and for that reason it is believed that quite a number of the fleet will stay to the southward instead of going to the Cape Shore. Many of the vessels are fitted to go to the Cape Shore direct and these can afford to hang on out there until the last minute, giving them the best chance to decide whether to go or stay according as things look bright or dull around Block island and Cox's ledge and adjacent well-known grounds.

The Yarmouth, N. S., papers says that mackerel traps in that section have been put in readiness and that the prevailing winds are reckoned good for the early run.

There is no word yet of any traps being put down on the Cape Shore, but the indications are that the Gloucester fleet will be down there early as usual. Already two are home and three more are expected before night fall, which means that by Monday they will again be on their way.

Sch. Corsair arrived home yesterday afternoon from south seining to fit for the Cape Shore and sch. Veda M. McKown arrived home this morning and will also get ready for her Cape Shore trip.

The following netters are at New York today with fares:

Sch. Massasoit, 1300 large fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Lafayette, 1000 large fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Hobo, 400 large fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Mabel Bryson, 900 large fresh mackerel.

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**PRETTY GOOD NEWS.****Authoritative Advices As to Catches of Salt Bankers.****All Have Gone to Magdalene Islands to Bait.**

A private letter to one of our leading fishing concerns, received yesterday from an authoritative source, gives the following catches of the American bankers which stopped at Canso, N. S., on their way to the Magdalene Islands, for a fresh baiting:

Sch. Blanche, 90,000 pounds.  
Sch. Smuggler, 90,000 pounds.  
Sch. Senator Gardner, 75,000 pounds.  
Sch. Orinoco, 45,000 pounds.  
Sch. J. J. Flaherty, 75,000 pounds.  
Sch. Mystrey, 100,000 pounds.  
Sch. Bohemia, 80,000 pounds.  
Sch. W. E. Morrissey, 75,000 pounds.  
Sch. Hazel R. Hines, 70,000 pounds.  
Sch. Mildred Robinson, 50,000 pounds.  
Sch. Gossip, 25,000 pounds.  
Schs. Mildred D. Hines and Yakima, catches not reported.  
All these vessels went north for bait.

**Broke Her Main Boom.**

Sch. Fish Hawk arrived at Boston yesterday morning with a good trip of fish, after an experience that laid her up for a couple of days before her men had a chance to wet a trawl. Last Friday the Fish Hawk arrived at the eastern end of the Georges, and the men began to lower the mainsail to get ready to lay her to to get out their dories. The loose sail was caught by a squall and switched over with so much force that it snapped the main boom about 15 feet from the end. The vessel was taken over to Yarmouth under foresail and jib and had a temporary sheathing of heavy cleats put on to bind the broken ends of the boom together.

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**Herring at the Magdalene Islands.**

Herring are reported in abundance at Magdalene Islands.

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Sch. Pauline, Rips, 30,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Shenandoah, shore, 35,000 lbs. pollock.  
Sch. Helen B. Thomas, via Boston, 35,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Veda M. McKown, south seining, 8 bbls. salt mackerel.  
Sch. Little Fannie, shore, 6000 lbs. pollock.  
Str. Pet, shore, 6000 lbs. pollock.  
Str. Favorite, shore, 1500 lbs. pollock.  
Str. Herbert and Emma, shore, 3000 lbs. pollock.  
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**Boston.**

Sch. Minerva, 14,000 cod.  
Sch. Wodan, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Ignatius Enos, 4000 cod.  
Sch. Gov. Russell, 6500 haddock, 5000 cod.  
Sch. Mary B. Greer, 6000 haddock, 7000 cod, 8000 hake.  
Sch. Oliver F. Kilham, 6000 cod.  
Sch. Fannie V. Silva, 25,000 haddock, 22,000 cod.  
Large cod, \$3; market cod, \$1.75; hake, 60 cts. to \$2; pollock, \$1.

**Fishing Fleet Movements.**

Schs. Catherine and Ellen, Seaconnet and Annie and Jennie are back at T wharf after an unsuccessful search for bait at Provincetown and Nahant.

Sch. James R. Clark is fitting out at Yarmouth, N. S., and a crew is being secured at Pubnico under command of Capt. David Amero.

Sch. Dora A. Lawson arrived at Yarmouth last Tuesday bound on a salt cod fishing trip and Capt. Williams secured a license at that port.

May 16.

**Whiting Haul at Provincetown.**

Twenty-five men working for L. Pickert & Co. at Small's wharf, Provincetown, dressed and salted 527 barrels of whiting in three days last week. Four of the number, George Silva, John Flores, Manuel Prada and Moses Handy, expert workers at the business, split 203 barrels of the species in 9 1-2 hours, earning \$4.75 each.

Weirmen at Provincetown refused to sell whiting at the price offered—40 cents per barrel—by the L. Pickert & Co. Monday, many of them declaring they would rather turn them loose from the traps than meet that price. They held their fish at 50 cents per barrel and later sold to the salting concern at that price.